

HOUSE RESOLUTION 156
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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Reverend Albert Glenn Jewell of Wilson County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Reverend Albert Glenn Jewell; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Albert Jewell was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, an ordained Baptist minister, Reverend Jewell served with acumen and alacrity within the public education school system as a Teacher, Principal, Coach, and a former Wilson County Schools Superintendent, in which positions he earned the respect of his peers, colleagues, superiors, and congregations alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, showing his interest and support in the public school system, Reverend Jewell wrote a history of school busing in Wilson County, stating that the first school bus service was offered in Watertown in September of 1925; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Jewell began his teaching career in Greenvale, soon moving to the Statesville School, the school that he attended as a boy, where he determined the need for his students to have a proper meal each day and, in response to that need, hired a cook to prepare the lunch meal each day for the students, which is believed to be the first lunch program instituted in Wilson County Schools; and

WHEREAS, later, during the time of World War II maneuvers in the area, the school prepared extra food which was bagged and sold to the soldiers with the proceeds being used to construct the first lunch room in the Wilson County Schools; and

WHEREAS, ordained at Smith Fork Baptist Church, Reverend Jewell served as sincere and devout Pastor with many churches, including Linwood, Mt. Olivet, Hickman, Riddleton, Sycamore, and Saulsbury Baptist Church, which he served faithfully for fifty years; and

WHEREAS, even when monetary support was meager, this devoted and dedicated Pastor served many churches without a salary, only receiving part of the collection to support himself and his family; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Jewell was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Jewell was the proud father of three sons and daughters-in-law, John and Jan Jewell, Bill and Linda Jewell, and Bruce and Sharon Jewell; he was the adoring grandfather of John T. Jewell and his wife Saharra, Jeffrey Glenn Jewell, Theresa Cavnar and her husband Dave, and Allison and Laurel Young and great-grandchildren, Amanda Price, Reanna Patton, and Avery Brooke Jewell; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Albert Jewell was preceded in death by his long-time companion and wife, Opal Moorehead Jewell, his parents, James Newborn Jewell and Betty Jane Beadle Jewell, and three brothers and two sisters; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Jewell leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Reverend Albert Glenn Jewell, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Reverend Jewell.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.